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Applicant: PierLuca Lombardi
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For : METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR REGULATING PRESSURE
DURING MEDICAL PROCEDURES

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Response to Restriction Requirement

Dear Sir:

This paper is submitted responsive to the Office Action mailed April 6, 2006 and entering a restriction requirement and election of species requirement concerning the subject application.

Applicants elect Group III drawn to claims 13-22 (assuming that Group I was not intended to include these claims as well), and the species of Figure 3, which triggers claims 13-19 and 21-22.

This election is made without traverse. Early examination on the merits is respectfully requested.

It is believed that no fee is due in connection with this paper.

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Respectfully submitted,



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